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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action of March 4, 2010, requiring election of one of the following groups of inventions for further prosecution on the merits:

Group I, claim(s) 1, 6, 10, 12, 14-25 and 29, drawn to a process for producing a foam composite having an integrated foamed body core.

Group II, claim(s) 2-5, 7-9, 11, 13 and 26-28, drawn to a process for producing a foam composite having homogenous and fine bubbles.

Applicant hereby provisionally elects, without traverse, Group II, claim(s) 2-5, 7-9, 11, 13 and 26-28, for further prosecution on the merits.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant respectfully submits it is entitled to consideration of claims to additional groups which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable generic claim as provided by 37 CFR § 1.141.

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